### BEFORE

#### THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### OF SOUTH CAROLINA

# DOCKET NO. 2012-253-C

IN RE:	Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff for	)	
	Commission to Order a Rule To Show Cause	)	PETITION OF THE
	as to Why the Certificates of Public	)	OFFICE OF
	Convenience and Necessity for Certain	)	REGULATORY STAFF
	Providers of Telecommunications Services	)	FOR A RULE TO SHOW
	Should Not Be Revoked	)	CAUSE

The Office of Regulatory Staff, by filing this petition, would respectfully show and request of the Commission that:

- 1. The Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") is a state agency constituted pursuant to the laws of the State of South Carolina with its business offices located in Columbia, South Carolina. Further, the Commission is responsible for the regulation of telephone utilities operating for compensation as set forth in S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-10 et seq. (Supp. 2011).
- 2. The Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") is charged with the duty to protect the public interest pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-4-10, et seq. (Supp. 2011).
- 3. The Telecommunications Companies ("Companies") listed in Exhibit A are persons or corporations, their lessees, assignees, ...

  owning or operating in this State equipment or facilities for the transmission or many telephone for hire, including all things incident thereto and related to the operation of telephones.

  I certificated "telephone utilities" as defined in S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-10(6) (1976) in that they are



- 4. The Companies listed in Exhibit A are subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-710 et seq. (Supp. 2011). Further, they have submitted themselves to the jurisdiction of the Commission by their holding a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity as indicated in Exhibit A.
- 5. The Telecommunications Companies listed in Exhibit A, were granted authority to provide local exchange services. Upon receiving their Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity, these companies were found to possess the technical, financial, and managerial resources sufficient to provide the services requested. S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-280(B) (1) (Supp. 2011).
- 6. Pursuant to 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-607 (Supp. 2011), the telephone utilities subject to the Commission's jurisdiction providing residential local exchange that have less than \$5,000,000 invested in plant are required to file a bond with Commission.
- 7. Despite two separate notifications, the Companies listed in Exhibit A have failed to comply with Regulation 103-607.
- 8. Several carriers listed in Exhibit A requested and received a partial waiver of the requirements of Regulation 103-607 and were required to post a bond in accordance with a formula set out in Commission Order No. 2012-175. However, these carriers have not filed a bond consistent with the requirements of Order No. 2012-175.
- ORS has the responsibility to ensure that telephone utilities are compliant with the
   Commission's orders, directives, and regulations.
- 10. The information for the business entities listed in Exhibit A accurately reflects the information on file with the South Carolina Secretary of State. See Exhibit B, Affidavit of James McDaniel.

- 11. "Each telephone utility shall obey and comply with each and every requirement of every order, decision, direction, rule or regulation made or prescribed by the Commission and every direction, rule or regulation made or prescribed by the Office of Regulatory Staff in the performance ... or in relation to any other matter in any way relating to or affecting the business of such telephone utility and shall do everything necessary or proper in order to secure compliance with and observance of every such order, decision, direction, rule or regulation by all of its officers, agents and employees." S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-390 (Supp. 2011).
- 12. Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-1120 (Supp. 2011), "the Commission may ... conduct such other hearings as may be required in the administration of the powers and duties conferred by Articles 1 through 13 of this chapter and by other laws relating to telephone utilities."

# WHEREFORE, the ORS prays that the Honorable Commission:

- 1. Enter an order establishing a Rule to Show Cause instituting a formal proceeding against the persons and business entities listed in Exhibit A.
- 2. For the persons and business entities listed in Exhibit A, pursuant to 26 S.C. Code Regs. 103-830, cause a copy of this petition to be served upon such named respondents or other proper person or entity.
- Require the parties to submit an Answer to this Petition within the deadlines
  prescribed by the Commission's rules and regulations.
- 4. Schedule and conduct a formal administrative hearing to address disputed issues of fact and law regarding the Certificate pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-820 (Supp. 2011).

5. Find that the Companies listed in Exhibit A have not complied with orders, decisions, directions, rules and regulations made or prescribed by the Commission.

6. Enter a final order canceling the local exchange Certificates held by the Companies listed in Exhibit A.

7. Take other appropriate action which the Commission may deem necessary.

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June 25, 2012 Columbia, South Carolina

OrganizationName	Registered Agent	Secretary of State status	Foreign or Domestic	Docket #	Order #1	Date Certificate Issued
Affinity Network, Inc.	National Registered Agents, Inc.	Foreign	Good Standing	2000-230-C		9/5/2000
DBA Quantum Link Co./VOIP Communications/Optic	2 Office Park Court, Ste 103	roleigh	Good Standing	2000-250-0	2000-752	3/3/2000
Communications/ANI Networks	Columbia SC 29223					
	Columbia SC 29225	1			1	
Jessica Renneker - Director Regulatory Affairs						
250 Pilot Rd, Ste 300	P					
Las Vegas NV 89119 Birch Communications, Inc.	Corporation Service Co.	Foreign	Good Standing	1999-323-C	1999-801	11/15/1999
	1703 Laurel St	roreign	Good Standing	1333-323-0	1999-001	11/13/1333
Angela Hoke - Manager-Legal & Regulatory	Columbia SC 29201					
2300 Main Street, Suite340	Columbia SC 29201				1	
Kansas City MO 64108	Competion Sonios Co	Foreign	Good Standing	2000-265-C	0000 7001	9/25/2000
Birch Telecom of the South, Inc.	Corporation Service Co. 1703 Laurel St	Foreign	Good Standing	2000-203-C	2000-792	9/25/2000
Birch Telecom DBA Birch DBA Birch Communications	Columbia SC 29201					
Angela Hoke - Manager-Legal & Regulatory	Columbia SC 29201					
2300 Main Street, Suite340						
Kansas City MO 64108	Cti Si C-	Fourier	Good Standing	1999-163-C	1000 0001	8/24/1999
BT Communications Sales, LLC	Corporation Service Co.	Foreign	Good Standing	1999-103-0	1999-593 <sup>1</sup>	0/24/1998
Lynette Justice - Regulatory Affairs-TMI	1703 Laurel St					
PO Drawer 200	Columbia SC 29201					
Winter Park FL 32790-0200			0 104 15	0040 040 0	1	4/00/0044
Capital Communications Consultants, Inc.	Incorp Services Inc	Foreign	Good Standing	2010-349-C	2011-94	1/26/2011
Candice Pair - Regulatory Officer	317 Ruth Vista Rd		1			
7470 Bartlett Corporate Cove W, Ste 102	Lexington SC 29073					
Bartlett TN 38133		-	0 100 11	2001 51 0	2001.010	0/00/000
ComTech21, LLC	Incorp Services Inc	Foreign	Good Standing	2004-54-C	2004-312	6/30/2004
Michael Brady - EVP	317 Ruth Vista Rd					
One Barnes Park, South	Lexington SC 29073					
Wallingford CT 06492			-	+		
Covista, Inc.	AGENT RESIGNED	Foreign	Good Standing	2003-200-C	2003-594	10/3/2003
Mark Lammert - CPA., P.A./Compliance Solutions Inc		1				
740 Florida Central Pkwy, Ste 2028	i					
Longwood FL 32750						
dPi Teleconnect, LLC	C T Corporation System	Foreign	Dissolved	1998-640-C	1999-228	3/30/1999
Melanie King - Regulatory Affairs Mgr	75 Beattie Place		1			
1330 Capital Pkwy	Two Insignia Financial Plaza	İ	1			
Carrollton TX 75006-3647	Greenville SC 29601					
Ernest Communications, Inc.	Corporation Service Co.	Foreign	Reinstatement	2001-447-C	2002-90	2/6/2002
Mark Lammert - CPA.,P.A./Compliance Solutions Inc.	1703 Laurel St		1			
740 Florida Central Pkwy, Ste 2028	Columbia SC 29201					
Longwood FL 32750						
EveryCall Communications, Inc.	CT Corporation System	Foreign	Good Standing	2003-297-C	2004-47 <sup>1</sup>	1/30/2004
DBA All American Home Phone DBA Local USA	2 Office Park Ct, Ste 103					
Judity Riley - President	Columbia SC 29223					
PO Box 720128						
Oklahoma City OK 73172-0128						

Flatel, Inc.	Oscar Garcia	Foreign	Forfeiture	1999-515-C	2000-380	4/26/2000
DBA Telephone USA	6300 White Horse Rd #118			Ì		
Adriana Solar - CFO	Greenville SC 29611	1	1			
2300 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd.		1				
Executive Center Ste 100					î a	
West Palm Beach FL 33409						
Genesis Telecommunications Company, LLC	John Lawrence	Domestic	Good Standing	2000-350-C	2000-8731	10/27/2000
Barbara Bennett - General Manager	1117 Reynolds Ave					
PO Box 675	Greenwood SC 29646	100				
Greenwood SC 29648						
Global Connection Inc. of America	Corporation Service Co.	Foreign	Good Standing	2000-149-C	2000-580	7/19/2000
Ms. Angela Briggs - Paralegal	1703 Laurel St					
5555 Oakbrook Pkwy, Ste 620	Columbia SC 29201		İ			
Norcross GA 30093						
Global NAPS South Carolina, Inc.	CT Corporation System	Foreign	Forfeiture	2001-503-C	2002-258 <sup>1</sup>	4/10/2002
Larry Cross - Regulatory Officer	2 Office Park Ct, Ste 103					
1120 Hancock St	Columbia SC 29223		1			
Quincy MA 02169-4313						
Granite Telecommunications, LLC	Corporation Service Co.	Foreign	Good Standing	2002-269- C	2002-8241	12/6/2002
Geoffrey Cookman - Dir. Regulatory, Tax Department	1703 Laurel St				2002 024	
100 Newport Avenue Ext.	Columbia SC 29201					
Quincy MA 02171	Octamble 55 Estat.					
Image Access, Inc.	CT Corporation System	Foreign	Reinstatement	1999-269-C	1999-762	10/26/1999
DBA New Phone	2 Office Park Ct, Ste 103		The state of the s	3.50		
Jim Dry - President	Columbia SC 29223					
5555 Hilton Ave Ste 415				Ĭ		
Baton Rouge LA 70808						
iNetworks Group, Inc.	CT Corporation System	Foreign	Good Standing	2009-164-C	2009-553	8/6/2009
Agnes Rivera - Manager of Tax	2 Office Park Ct, Ste 103					
125 S Wacker Dr, Ste 2510	Columbia SC 29223	-			1 1	
Chicago IL 60606						
Lightyear Network Solutions, LLC	CT Corporation System	Foreign	Good Standing	2003-369-C	2004-550 <sup>1</sup>	11/8/2004
Heather Pickett - Sr. Tax Accountant	2 Office Park Ct. Ste 103		THE THE PARTY OF	100 S. C. T. C. S. T. C. C. T.	2007-330	
1901 Eastpoint Pkwy	Columbia SC 29223					
Louisville KY 40223				1		
Matrix Telecom, Inc.	CT Corporation System	Foreign	Good Standing	2005-98-C	2005-449	8/25/2005
DBA Matrix Business Technologies	2 Office Park Ct, Ste 103					0.20.200
Kimberly Geuder - Compliance Reporting Specialist-TMI	Columbia SC 29223	[				
PO Drawer 200						
Winter Park FL 32790-0200						
Navacore, LLC	Thomas K. Gwyn	Domestic	Good Standing	2006-111-C	2006-468 <sup>1</sup>	8/4/2006
Thomas K. Gwyn - Partner	2354-B Ebenezer Rd	12000		10	2000-400	0, 1,2000
PO Box 3413	Rock Hill SC 29732					
Rock Hill SC 29732	TOOK THIS OF MOTOR		1	1		

Navigator Telecommunications, LLC	National Corporate Research, Ltd.	Foreign	Good Standing	1999-176-C	1999-572 <sup>1</sup>	8/11/1999
Renee Bethea - Tax Accountant	2 Office Park Ct, Ste 103			4	1	
PO Box 13860	Columbia SC 29223	1				
North Little Rock AR 72113-0860				2001.00	2221 121	- 1- 1
Nexus Communications	Corporation Service Co.	Foreign	Good Standing	2004-59-C	2004-421	9/3/2004
Mark Lammert - CPA.,P.A./Compliance Solutions Inc	1703 Laurel St				1	
740 Florida Central Pkwy, Ste 2028	Columbia SC 29201		Ì		1 1	
Longwood FL 32750						
Pac-West Telecomm, Inc.	Corporation Service Co.	Foreign	Good Standing	2010-411-C	2011-318	4/26/2011
James Mertz - Regulatory Affairs	1703 Laurel St					
4550 Lakefield Bend	Columbia SC 29201				1	
Berkeley Lake GA 30096						
Ring Connection, Inc.	Tammy M. Fielder	Foreign	Good Standing	2002-92-C	2002-503	7/8/2002
Holley Burlison - General Manager	1701 Laurens Rd, Ste A	1				
PO Box 520	Greenville SC 29607					
Crestview FL 32536-0535						
Tele Circuit Network Corporation	TCS Corporate Services, Inc.	Foreign	Forfeiture	2008-398-C	2009-4341	6/18/2009
Lisa Brown - Regulatory & Tax Consultants, LLC	2 Office Park Ct, Ste 103					
3100 Breckinridge Blvd, Ste 145	Columbia SC 29223		15			
Duluth GA 30096-5800						
Telecom Services of the Low Country, LLC	Walter N Gnann, Jr.	Domestic	Good Standing	2003-274-C	2004-403 <sup>1</sup>	8/26/2004
Walter Gnann - President	14 Savanah Hwy, Ste 14					
2121 Boundary Street, Suite 108	Beaufort SC 29906				i 1	
Beaufort SC 29902-6812					255 (	
Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC	AGENT RESIGNED	Foreign	Good Standing	2004-211-C	2004-5671	11/15/2004
DBA Freedom Communications USA, LLC						
Matt Davis - General Manager					1	
220 Creekside Dr						
Dickson TN 37055						
Trans National Communications International, Inc.	National Registered Agents, Inc.	Foreign	Reinstatement	2001-316-C	2001-1044	11/7/2001
Stella Gnepp - Reg. Affairs Specialist	2 Office Park Court, Ste 103					
2 Charlesgate West	Columbia SC 29223					
Boston MA 02215						
Velocity The Greatest Phone Company Ever, Inc.	National Registered Agents, Inc.	Foreign	Forfeiture	2009-380-C	2010-11	1/6/2010
Nancy Malley - Preparer-BillSoft Services, Inc.	2 Office Park Court, Ste 103				2010	
8675 W 96th St, Ste 220	Columbia SC 29223					
Overland Park KS 66212						
West Communications, Inc.	Corporation Service Co.	Foreign/	Good Standing	2003-336-C	2004-102	3/12/2004
Edward Johnson - President/CEO	1703 Laurel St	Domestic		A STATE OF THE STA		
2117-B W Palmetto St, Ste 202	Columbia SC 29201	100, 100, 100, 100				
Florence SC 29501						
Wholesale Carrier Services, Inc.	AGENT RESIGNED	Foreign	Good Standing	2002-23-C	2002-365 <sup>1</sup>	5/13/2002
Rosa Clark - Compliance Analyst		3			2002-000	J, . J J
5471 N University Dr						
Coral Springs FL 33067		1			1	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Carriers were granted CLEC and IXC authority in one PSC Order. ORS requests revocation of CLEC authority only.

### BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2012- -C

June 22, 2012

IN RE:	Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff for	)	
	Commission to Order a Rule To Show Cause	)	
	as to Why the Certificates of Public	)	AFFIDAVIT OF
	Convenience and Necessity for Certain	)	JAMES M. MCDANIEL
	Providers of Telecommunications Services	)	
	Should Not Be Revoked	)	

The Affiant, after having been first duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:

- 1) My name is James M. McDaniel and I am employed by the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") as the Program Manager.
  - 2) My office is located at 1401 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina, 29201
- 3) I and/or personnel under my direction researched the South Carolina Secretary of State's website in order to determine the corporate status of the business entities listed in Exhibit A of this petition.
- 4) I attest that, to the best of my knowledge, the corporate statuses of the business entities listed in Exhibit A are accurate.

## AND FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

JAMES M. MCDANIEL

Program Manager

Telecommunications Area

Office of Regulatory Staff

1401 Main Street, Suite 900

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Sworn and subscribed before me this 22" day of June, 20/2

Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: 4/23/2017

#### BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2012- -C

IN RE:	Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff for Commission to Order a Rule To Show Cause as to Why the Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for Certain Providers of Telecommunications Services Should Not Be Revoked	) ) CERTIFICATE ( ) SERVICE )	OF
	Should Not Be Revoked	)	

This is to certify that I, Faith E. Shehane, have this date served one (1) copy of the **PETITION**FOR A RULE TO SHOW CAUSE in the above-referenced matter to the person(s) named below by causing said copy to be deposited in the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid and affixed thereto, and addressed as shown below:

PLEASE SEE NEXT PAGE FOR LIST OF PARTIES SERVED

Faith E. Shehane

June 25, 2012 Columbia, South Carolina

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